

Hidden in Plain Satire - Joke Book, Volume 3

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A pocket of gentle mischief: clouds file tickets, trees ship patch notes, and crows do horoscopes. Nothing explained; everything witnessed.

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Customer Support for Nature

- Ticket #007: "Vertical streak won't load." -- Sky: Have you tried turning your planet off and on again?
- Ticket #311: "Bird crossed frame without permission." -- Sky: That's a union bird; talk to Casting.
- Ticket #404: "Cloud faces missing." -- Sky: Working as designed; please enable Seeing.

Terms of Service for Clouds (excerpt)

- 2.1 You may view faces; we may deny warranty on noses.
- 3.4 Downtime includes: noon glare, camera blur, and existential weather.
- 5.2 No refunds for pareidolia. See Appendix: It's You, Not Us.
- 7.0 By looking up, you agree to unexpected beauty.

Patch Notes from the Forest

- v3.1.4: Added "Big Guy with Eye" easter egg near treeline.
- v3.1.5: Fixed bug where shrubs whisper to the wrong human.
- v3.2.0: Performance: improved "whoa" by 12 percent at dusk.

YouTube Comment Translator

- "Fake!" -> I didn't see it, and now I'm sad.
- "Wow" -> I saw it and I'm pretending I didn't scream.
- "Mid" -> I watched 17 times and refuse to feel things.

Hold Music for DNS

- [music] Your porch is important to us.
- Point your A record to hope, your CNAME to patience.
- Press 1 to accept the mystery.

Horoscopes by the Wise Ones (Crows)

- Aries: A face appears at breakfast. Pretend you planned it.
- Gemini: Two faces in one cloud; both of them you.
- Virgo: Crop less. See more.
- Scorpio: The sky is staring back. Wink.
- Pisces: Rain is just the ocean sending a group text.

FAQ for Visitors in Shrubbery

- Q: Best camouflage? A: Be leaf. Think leaf. Complain about squirrels.
- Q: How to be photographed? A: Wait until the human says "just hazy today," then strike a profile.
- Q: Any legal advice? A: Do not abduct garden gnomes; they have very good lawyers.

Micro-dialogues

- Me: "Do you hear the trees?" -- Trees: We're on mute. You're the visual channel.
- Cloud: "Name three things that are hidden in plain sight." -- Me: You, me, and the pin button.

One-liners

- My porch is "under construction," like every spiritual lesson.
- I don't hear voices in the woods; the woods hear mine and draw cartoons.
- The camera adds ten doubts.
- DNS = Do Not Stress (eventually).
- I asked the sky for a sign; it sent typography in cirrus.

Tiny Ad

- NEW! Parei-DOLLY -- carries your doubt so your eyes can travel light.

Back-Cover Blurb

- A satirical companion to a witness series. Nature tickets, cloud TOS, forest patch notes, crow horoscopes, and visitors in shrubbery. Seeing optional; smiling probable.